

## OPENING NEW METHODIST

### CHURCH

Sunday, October 21st, 1923

COME AND HEAR

BISHOP U. V. W. DARLINGTON

Services beginning 11 a. m.

Other services to be announced later.

#### METHODIST CHURCH OPENING

The formal opening of the new Methodist church at Marlinton is set for Sunday morning, October 21, at 11 o'clock. Bishop U. V. W. Darlington will be present and preach at the 11 o'clock hour and at 7:30 p. m. He may possibly preach in the afternoon also.

Bishop Darlington is one of the great men of the Southern Methodist Church. His home is in Huntington, and he presides over the Western Virginia and Kentucky Conferences. He is one of the younger, if not the youngest member of the College of Bishops of that church. He is a great preacher, deeply spiritual and a very human man. So far as this writer knows, this is the first visit of a Methodist Bishop to this community since the days of Bishop Asbury.

The new church ranks among the finest in the whole state. It is of white brick construction, and modern in plan and equipment. The main auditorium with gallery and lecture room have a seating capacity of one thousand. The building embraces a full Sunday school plant, with a large chapel in the basement and separate rooms for each department and class. When complete the building will cost over \$60,000. It is easily the finest building of any kind in Pocahontas county.

Many of the nearby churches are foregoing their services for Sunday so that their congregations may be free to take part in the services at the new church and hear Bishop Darlington. An invitation to be present has been extended to all the ministers who have served as pastor of the Marlinton church. An immense congregation is expected.

#### CONVENTION MUSIC

The approaching County S. S. Convention, which meets in the Marlinton M. E. Church on November 23, will afford a great opportunity for Sunday School workers in every department.

The Music Committee has secured the services of Mr. C. Austin Miles of Phila. as Musical Director. Mr. Miles is well known as a composer of Sacred Music, being the author of "In The Garden," "Dwelling in Beulah Land," and many other selection found in many song books found in our Sunday Schools. Miss Mildred Yeager of Marlinton will be his accompanist.

Volunteer workmen are busy this week putting things in shape in and around the new Methodist church, getting ready for the opening on Sunday, when Bishop U. V. W. Darlington will be present and possibly preach three times.

Dr. J. E. Flow, Evangelist for Greenbrier Presbytery, is conducting a series of wonderful meetings at Cloverlick. Large congregations are attending and great interest is manifested. On Tuesday night twenty-nine came forward to make public profession of their faith in Christ. So far nearly fifty persons, most of them heads of families, have taken this step.

Married, Monday afternoon, October 15, 1923, at the M. E. parsonage, Ronceverte, by Rev. W. A. Grodz, Beecher Meadows and Miss Garcel McCormick, of Marlinton.

#### THIS DEER HUNTING

Uncle Paul Sharp was down Tuesday to buy himself a hunters license to be in readiness for the opening of the deer season October 30. Though along toward four score years he is hale and hearty, with steady hand, firm step and eye undimmed. His farm is the old Bridger place on Greenbrier River above Marlinton at the tunnel. It is near forests that still shelter many deer. Years ago thirty and forty deer was no uncommon number to be killed in a single season in those woods and at the river stands.

Mr. Sharp told us about the time he first swore off manhandling deer. Just after the war he and his brother Ike were hauling in winter wood. They were getting it down by the river near a noted deer stand, and as he knew that the late Ewing Johnson and the late Marcus Waugh had put hounds in the mountain that morning he took his gun along. About dinner time, the call came to them to hurry along and eat. The gun was left on the far side of the river from the house. Just as they got home, a shot was heard away up stream, and soon a big five snag buck was seen in the river. Mr. Sharp ran down and found the big deer fighting a bull dog. Before he could wade the river for his gun the dog got his hold on the deer's nose, and Mr. Sharp waded in to give the dog some needed assistance. Just as he got a firm hold on one antler and with the other hand on the deer's shoulder to give the finishing stroke, the dog let loose and become an interested spectator from the bank. Then began a fight to kill the man and it was a battle royal. The water was not deep enough to drown the deer, and it was too big to hold and it meant death to let loose. His cries for help were heard by brother Ike who unhooked old Johnson, an old time cavalry horse, and mounted him and started breakneck for the river. However he failed to unhook the breast yoke and when old Johnson made his charge he brought wagon and all down the hill, and of course was soon so tangled and tied he could not go farther. Just then the late Ewing Johnson came in sight on the opposite side of the river. He saw at glance that his times were only tolerable with Mr. Sharp and with out hesitating he up with his rifle and shot the deer dead as it struggled to pierce the man with his antlers. Mr. Sharp then made his first vow that never no more would he again attempt to manhandle a deer. But a few weeks later a grand hunt was organized. The neighbors were notified and standers tipped the river from Marlins Bottom to Cloverlick, some sixteen miles. Uncle Paul Sharp and Bill Johnson, now of Marlinton, were sent to the woods with nine dogs, and the directions were to loose them one at a time so as to not waste more than one dog on a deer. Mr. Sharp had a noted deer dog that would pass over every deer track until he came to a track of a really big buck, even if it took him until afternoon to find a track worthy of his attention. Two dogs had been loosed and directly the dogs gave voice and Mr. Sharp knew of a crossing where he could cut off the deer and kill it before it went to water. He directed young Johnson to hold the other dogs while he ran to the crossing. Soon he saw a big buck deer and dogs running side by

side. He shot and broke a leg at the shoulder, one hound caught the deer behind and the other got a hold about the head. So interested was Mr. Sharp in the fight that he failed to reload his mountain rifle. Soon the deer got the advantage and horned one of the hounds in the breast and laid him open from end to end. This was too much for Mr. Sharp and forgetting his narrow escape of a few weeks before he went in to the assistance of the other dog and grabbed an antler. The deer tried to kill him, and there was a desperate struggle. He called young Johnson, who turned all the coupled dogs loose and he too got a hold of a horn. In spite of having only three legs the men and dogs could not hold the deer and he was dragging them down the mountain over the frozen ground. Seeing a log below them, Mr. Sharp directed young Johnson when they would come to it to put all his weight on the antler he was holding and they would force the deer head under the log and finish it. He did and they did.

Mr. Sharp again swore off ever again attempting to kill a deer, wounded or otherwise, with his hands, but, he says, he has taken hold of not less than a dozen deer since these two harrowing experiences. His directions are to catch them by their hind legs, whether they be bucks, does or fawns. They kick right smart, but not dangerously hard, while there is danger even with small deer of being cut or even paunched by their sharp feet if you have hold of them any where else.

A few years ago a fine forked horn buck came into Mr. Sharps fields and a shepherd and some bird dogs caught it at a wire fence. Mr. Sharp came up and took it by a hind leg and held it down until the neighbors came up. It being a closed season on deer, Mr. Sharp directed a young man to hold the deer while he penned the dogs in the barn, and then the deer would be allowed to go. The young man took a wrong hold, and was warned that he was not handling a sheep, calf or hog, and that unless he held a hind leg it would possibly kill or cripple him. The deer was let loose and stayed around feeding with the cattle for weeks.

Here's guessing that Uncle Paul Sharp kills a big buck this season, and this writer would rather hear of his getting a deer than to kill it himself.

And talking about my deer hunting, I will just say that friend John Buckley has my deer rifle borrowed for the deer season and is under bond not to return it until the season closes. There will be so many raw hunters in my favorite deer woods it is going to be dangerous to be safe. I have not lost my nerve or anything, but there is a houseful of youngsters depending on me for food, clothes and education.

Walter Tibbs, colored, was struck by the passenger train on the Marlinton yards at noon Saturday. He suffered broken ribs and other injuries, but seems now on the road to a quick recovery. He was going home to dinner, and walking on a sidetrack. He says he thought he was on the main track, and stepped off, as he thought, to avoid the fast approach train. He stepped in front of the train and was knocked about ten feet high. The injured man is a son of the late Howard Tibbs. He is a highly respected colored man, about forty-five years of age and the father of a large family.

Harvey Bowman, country gentleman and agricultural expert, is a guest at the home of Z. S. Smith. Upon his graduation in agriculture at the University he and his friend John Harrison bought themselves a farm near Morgantown and have built up a fine business as truck farmers. They have done well and are prospering. These two young gentlemen were members of a party of four who spent a season at work at Mt. View Orchard a few years ago. Mr. Bowman stopped here on his return from Charleston where he assisted in putting on the State 4-H Fair last week.

#### FARM BUREAU

The County is being canvassed by representatives of the State Farm Bureau Federation for members for the Farm Bureau. They are B. A. Rapp, of Greenbrier; John Summers and J. P. McMillan, of Monroe; J. H. Somerville, of Pleasants. They have the assistance of local men. A large number of our progressive farmers are becoming members.

Memberships are sold on a three year basis at \$10 a year. This the practical and most extensive of all the farmer's organizations. Its base is self-help through cooperation. Its activities are all along the line from cooperative marketing of farm products and cooperative buying of farm supplies to maintaining agents at Washington to keep an eye on legislation.

W. D. Zinn, of the National Stock man, spoke in many communities of the county. He is a practical farmer and an interesting writer and speaker.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Edray District Sunday School Convention was held at Marys Chapel, on Elk, last Saturday. The day was fine, the crowd large and the proverbial hospitality of the people of Elk unstinted.

District President Ira D. Brill had no formal program, but he built as he went along. The results were so satisfactory that the convention was one of the most interesting and profitable ever held in the District.

The speeches were of exceptionally high order. Among the speakers were Prof. G. D. McNeill, F. M. Sydnor, S. N. Hench, G. C. Hamilton, Rev. J. H. Billingsley, Rev. H. H. Orr.

The schools were well represented. As a whole the reports were encouraging, but there are still groundhog Sunday Schools.

The following officers were elected for the next year—President, F. M. Sydnor; vice president, Ivan Sharp; secretary, Porter Kellison; treasurer, S. J. Rexrode.

#### MARLINTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Harvey H. Orr, Pastor.  
Sunday School 9:45  
3:30 p m Junior Christian Endeavor  
7:15 p m Senior Christian Endeavor  
11:00 a m. No Service  
3:30 p m. Preaching at Buckeye.  
7:45 p m No Service.

There will be no preaching service at the church next Sunday owing to the special services at the Methodist Church. All our people are urged to hear Bishop Darlington.

#### WESLEY CHAPEL M. E. SOUTH

Hillsboro, West Virginia  
W. Clark Early, Pastor.  
9:45 a m. Sunday School  
F. P. Kidd, Superintendent  
7:30 p m Epworth League: Topic, "The Christian State and its Citizens."—Leader, Waller Vance.  
2:30 p m. Sunday school at Sharon.

On account of the opening of the new Marlinton Methodist Church at Marlinton, by Bishop U. V. W. Darlington, there will be no preaching service at Hillsboro or Sharon.

Attendance at the Methodist Sunday school, 181; at Presbyterian, 129, and at Campbelltown, 59.

#### Public Auction Sale

I will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder on  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1923  
at Frost, W. Va., the following—

1 Eagle steel range cook stove, 2 good heating stoves, 6 beds and stands complete, 1 dresser good as new, 1 cot 1 couch good as new, 1 parlor suit, 2 rocking chairs, lot of other chairs, 30 yards linoleum, 25 yards straw matting, 25 yards rag carpet, sewing machine good as new, 3 large rugs, 3 stand tables, 200 cans fruit, lot of stone jars, lot of aluminum ware, lot of dishes, some potatoes, lot of window shades, and other things too tedious to mention.

Terms made known on day of sale.  
Herold, auctioneer

IVIE GAY

Frost, W. Va.

#### Rental of a Valuable Grazing Farm

Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, entered at the October Term, 1923, the under signed guardian on

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1923  
at 10 a. m., at the front door of the Courthouse of said county, will offer for rent for a period ending on the 4th day of December, 1926, (Three years) a tract of land valuable for grazing and farming, being a tract of 138 acres on Browns Mountain by the Knapps Valley, being the mountain place of the late W. F. Kelley, with the right to reject any and all bids. Said land to be returned at the end of the period in as good condition as it is received; the lessee shall have the landlord's share of one third in the crop of wheat now on the land; the lessee may use any unused rails now on the place for fencing.

TERMS—One-third cash, the residue in two equal payments, notes with good security, bearing interest after maturity, one note due Dec. 4, 1924, and the other note due Dec. 4, 1925.

F. R. HUNTER, Guardian  
of the late Kelly, Allie May Kelly and Joe Kelly.

#### WOODMAN MEETING

On last Thursday night Marlinton Camp of Modern Woodmen of America held open house, the honor guests being National Lecturer C. E. Renner, of Lincoln, Nebraska, and State Deputy Head Consul V. J. Barnes, of Wheeling.

These gentlemen are on a visitation to various camps in the State. At Marlinton they spoke to an assembly of more than a hundred Woodman and Royal Neighbors and invited guests of the two divisions of the Order.

Recently two large rooms in the Woodman Oddfellow building have been converted into a commodious dining hall, and a kitchen has been outfitted in a third room. Here, after the speaking, the members and their guests repaired for delightful refreshments.

Mr. Barnes made a short speech on things pertaining to the organization. He was followed by Mr. Renner, who is considerable of an orator. Coming from the State of William J. Bryan, a country of broad plains and magnificent distances, he set a record for long distance oratory. His text was "Service to humanity," and he handled his subject at length and with a master hand.

This is the first time the local camp has had the honor of entertaining either their State or National officers and the presence of two such distinguished guests was greatly appreciated.

The entertainment committee was at pains to show the visitors some of our good county of Pocahontas. They were taken to a high point of land to view the country over—clothed in the gala attire for the falling of the year.

After sight seeing the visitors were headed to the Allegheny Club for supper. A tire went out, and the trip would have proved a dud, but for the good offices of Mr. Adkins of the road company. He repaired the dam age in a hurry, and set the party on the way rejoicing to such a supper as the Club is noted for serving.

The gentlemen seemed well pleased with our good county, but in their polite expressions of praise of certain of our high points of excellence, we felt we could detect a little note of undercurrent of surprise that things were so well with us in these mountains.

#### GREENBRIER PRESBYTERY YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE

On Friday and Saturday October 26-27 the fourth annual Presbytery's Young People's Conference will be held in the Old Stone Church at Lewisburg. The program will open at 11 a. m. the 26 and closes at 10:30 a. m. the 27. U. I. Jenkins, the new State Secretary of Christian Endeavor will be present to give some practical help along C. E. lines. Every church in the Presbytery is expected to send some of their young people. It is hoped that Pocahontas County will be well represented.

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